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NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS AND  
ERROR IN PAYMENT OF FEES (37 C.F.R. § 1.28)

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Dear Commissioner:

01 FC:101	740.00 OP
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Establishment of Small Entity Status

On October 31, 2000, small entity status was established in this application.

**Payment of Fees as Small Entity**

The filing fee was paid on October 31, 2000. A fee for an extension of time was paid on February 8, 2002.

**Error**

Before the payment of the fees, a change occurred whereby small entity status could not be claimed and, through good faith error, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office was not notified.

### Amount of Deficiency

Payment for the sum of the deficiency between the amount of fees paid and the amount due is enclosed. The fees being paid are itemized below:

Fee Description	Actual Fee Due	-	Amount Paid (Small Entity)	=	Deficiency Being Paid
Basic Filing Fee	\$ 740.00		\$ 355.00		\$ 385.00
Independent Claim Fees	420.00		200.00		220.00
Excess Claim Fees	720.00		360.00		360.00
Extension of Time	110.00		55.00		55.00
<b>TOTAL FEES PAID</b>					<b>\$ 1,020.00</b>

### Payment of Fees

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1,020.00. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-0665. This document is being submitted in duplicate.

### Further Status as Small Entity

Status as a small entity is hereby withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,  
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

While applicant's attorney agrees with the Examiner's indication that the claims are allowable over the applied references, applicant's attorney notes that the claims may be patentable over the applied references for other reasons in addition to those identified by the Examiner.

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